

Using number strategies to solve equations

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We are using number strategies to solve linear equations with integers.

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Exercise 1 – Finding x .

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What to do:

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- 1) Rewrite the equation in a way that will help you find the x that makes the equation true.
- 2) Clearly explain the strategy you use to solve this equation.
- 3) Give the value of x that makes the equation true.

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e.g. Equation: $19 = x + 47$
Rewrite: $x = 19 - 47$
Strategy: $47 - 19 = 28; 19 - 47 = -28$
Solution: $x = -28$

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|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1) $-45 + x = 76$ | (2) $x + 17 = -15$ | (3) $93 = x + 121$ |
| 4) $72 - x = 99$ | (5) $63 = 46 - x$ | (6) $x - 29 = -51$ |
| 7) $39 = 72 + x$ | (8) $x - 16 = -82$ | (9) $72 - x = -15$ |
| 10) $22 = 44 + x$ | (11) $88 = 71 - x$ | (12) $-36 = x - 47$ |
| 13) $-131 + x = 267$ | (14) $x - 140 = -470$ | (15) $195 - x = 295$ |
| 16) $2300 + x = -4500$ | (17) $x - 9876 = -1234$ | (18) $80808 - x = -80808$ |
| 19) $5555 + x = -1111$ | (20) $x - 932 = -840$ | (21) $100000 - x = 123456$ |
| 22) $-354 + x = -127$ | (23) $x - 3750 = -4250$ | (24) $99995 - x = 100000$ |

Exercise 2 – Writing word problems

Select 10 of these equations and write a word problem that the equation could be used to solve.

Answers:

1) $x = 76 + 45$
 $x = 121$

4) $x = 72 - 99$
 $x = -27$

7) $x = 39 - 72$
 $x = -33$

10) $x = 22 - 44$
 $x = -22$

13) $x = 267 + 131$
 $x = 398$

16) $x = -4500 - 2300$
 $x = -6800$

19) $x = -1111 - 5555$
 $x = -6666$

22) $x = -127 + 354$
 $x = 227$

(2) $x = -15 - 17$
 $x = -32$

(5) $x = 46 - 63$
 $x = -17$

(8) $x = -82 + 16$
 $x = -66$

(11) $x = 71 - 88$
 $x = -17$

(14) $x = -470 + 140$
 $x = -330$

(17) $x = -1234 + 9876$
 $x = 8642$

(20) $x = -840 + 932$
 $x = 92$

(23) $x = -4250 + 3750$
 $x = -500$

(3) $x = 93 - 121$
 $x = -28$

(6) $x = -51 + 29$
 $x = -22$

(9) $x = 72 + 15$
 $x = 87$

(12) $x = -36 + 47$
 $x = 11$

(15) $x = 195 - 295$
 $x = -100$

(18) $x = 80808 + 80808$
 $x = 161616$

(21) $x = 100000 - 123456$
 $x = -23456$

(24) $x = 99995 - 100000$
 $x = -5$